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REMARKS

After entry of the present Amendment, claims 12-18, 20-22, and 24-26 remain in the application with claim 12 in independent form. Claims 1-11, 19, 23, and 27 are cancelled.

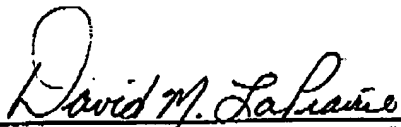
Although the Applicant maintains the positions set forth in the various prior responses, independent claim 12 has been amended in the subject Amendment. More specifically, claim 12 has been amended to state that the particles have an average nominal diameter of from 600 to 1400 microns thereby accepting the Examiner's indication of allowable subject matter.

This application is now presented in condition for allowance and the Applicant respectfully solicits such allowance. The Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 08-2789 for any additional fees or credit the account for any overpayment.

Respectfully submitted,

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